used to that language. So you cannot expect him to speak the Telugu of the Circar districts to which most of the Telugu-knowing Members are accustomed. The Hon. Premier is more at home in Tamil than in his mother-tongue."

MR. PRESIDENT :—" I think the suggestion put forward by the Hon. Minister for Education is good and will resolve the difficulty. If any Member wants the answer in English, I think the Secretary may be asked to read it."

THE HON. DR. T. S. S. RAJAN :—" If you approve of it, it is all right."

Utilization of machinery in the distilleries.

* 183 Q.—SRI P. VEERABHADRASWAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Prohibition be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have any proposals to utilize the machinery in the distilleries preparing arrack in the areas when Prohibition is introduced ; and

(b) whether the machinery will be useful for preparing power alcohol?

THE HON. MR. DANIEL THOMAS :—" (a) The Government have at present no proposal to utilize the machinery in the distilleries in the areas where Prohibition has been introduced or may be introduced in the future.

" (b) The distilleries at Samalkot, Nellikuppam, Vuyyuru, Hospet and Thummapala can produce power alcohol but modifications, renewals and additions to the plant will be necessary."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" May I know what assistance the Government are giving to these five concerns to produce power alcohol, and what their policy is in the matter? "

THE HON. MR. DANIEL THOMAS :—" The policy of the Government is to encourage the manufacture of power alcohol to offset the petrol shortage in the Province."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" Are the Government prepared to take over all the power alcohol manufactured by these concerns? "

THE HON. MR. DANIEL THOMAS :—" The question will have to be considered."

SRI S. B. ADITYAN :—" Do these distilleries belong to the Government? "

THE HON. MR. DANIEL THOMAS :—" No, Sir."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" May I know whether the Government will take up this question seriously, as otherwise the distilleries will have to remain idle? "

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THE HON. MR. DANIEL THOMAS :—" There is no question of the Government taking up any problem seriously or facetiously, as they take up all problems in right earnest. The Government are already in communication with the distillery owners in the Province."

Paper mills in the Presidency.

* 184 *Q.*—SRI P. VEERABHADRASWAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of paper mills in this Presidency and where they are situated;

(*b*) what are their share-capital;

(*c*) the total cost of paper imported into this Province from (1) other provinces and (2) foreign countries;

(*d*) whether the Government propose to start paper mills in the Province or permit private individuals or companies to start paper mills to make the Province self-sufficient;

(*e*) the total quantity and cost of hand-made paper produced in our Province; and

(*f*) in what ways are the Government helping hand-made paper industry?

THE HON. SRI H. SITARAMA REDDI :—" (*a*) to (*f*) A statement [a] giving the details required is placed on the table of the House."

SRI S. B. ADITYAN :—" May I know whether it is a fact that the Andhra Paper Mills have been closed, with the result that paper production in this Province is *nil*? "

THE HON. SRI H. SITARAMA REDDI :—" Yes, Sir."

SRI S. B. ADITYAN :—" Will the Government take over and run the mills themselves so as to improve paper manufacture in the Province? "

THE HON. SRI H. SITARAMA REDDI :—" The same point was raised by the hon. Member some time ago in a supplementary question, and I have answered it. I have nothing to add to what I have already said."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" In view of the large quantity of paper imported into this Province, have the Government under consideration any scheme either for taking over the Andhra Paper Mills, or, besides that, for the setting up of any mill, or of assisting any industrialist in starting a paper mill for the production of paper? "

THE HON. SRI H. SITARAMA REDDI :—" On the question of starting a new mill, permission has been given on the application of a particular company and the same has

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